

**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

May 20, 2002

S. 2179

Law Enforcement Tribute Act

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on May 16, 2002

SUMMARY

S. 2179 would authorize the appropriation of \$3 million for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2006 for the Department of Justice to make grants to state and local governments and Indian tribes to honor law enforcement or public safety officers who were killed or disabled in the line of duty. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 2179 would cost \$13 million over the 2002-2007 period. This legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts, so pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 2179 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). The bill would benefit state, local, and tribal governments that receive the grants that it would establish. Any costs incurred to receive or administer such grants would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

For this estimate, CBO assumes that the amounts authorized in S. 2179 for 2003 through 2006 will be appropriated by the start of each fiscal year and that outlays will follow historical spending patterns for similar grant programs. We assume that amounts authorized for 2002 will be appropriated this summer. The estimated budgetary impact of S. 2179 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 750 (administration of justice).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level	3	3	3	3	3	0
Estimated Outlays	0	1	3	4	3	2

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

ESTIMATED IMPACT ON STATE, LOCAL, AND TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS

S. 2179 contains no intergovernmental mandates as defined in UMRA. The bill would benefit state, local, and tribal governments that receive the grants that it would establish. Any costs incurred to receive or administer such grants would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED IMPACT ON THE PRIVATE-SECTOR

S. 2179 contains no new private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

PREVIOUS CBO ESTIMATE

On May 1, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2624, the Law Enforcement Tribute Act, as ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on April 24, 2002. The two bills are very similar and the cost estimates are identical.

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